## Missouri State Employee Recognition Week

May 7 - 11 2007



State Employee Recognition Week is a time set aside to better inform people about the wide variety of services provided by state employees. It is also a time to show appreciation to the employees who ensure that our government is the best in the world.

State Employee Recognition Week is an occasion to recognize every agency's involvement in the local community – the innovative programs that enhance the quality of life, and all successful efforts to improve customer service for Missouri citizens.

It is also a time to notice the outstanding state employees we work with every day – people who have chosen to make a career of public service.

Obviously, there is a temptation when budgets are tight, to feel that activities to show appreciation to employees are inappropriate. In fact, it is more important than ever.

Tell employees who continue the important work of their agency that their dedication and sacrifices are noticed and appreciated.

It is important to put a face to state service. Each manager, supervisor and employee – whether behind the scene, or out in front – is the face that someone turns to for help and assistance every day. State Employee Recognition Week reminds us of the dedication it takes to fulfill each agency's mission, and the pride employees take in the work they do.



## State Employee Recognition Day (SERD) is May 11

Be sure to attend Recognition Day events held on the south lawn of the State Capitol Building. <u>See the</u> tentative agenda.

At the event, state agencies, organizations, and local businesses will have displays and information available to the public highlighting their accomplishments and services. Click here to become a vendor at the 2007 SERD event.

State employees who work in the Jefferson City area will be allowed some flexibility in their lunch schedules to attend this event. Contact your agency <u>coordinator</u> for details.

The Jefferson City Area Chamber of Commerce in conjunction with the Office of Administration will sponsor the following:

- Shuttle service to and from the event
- Hot dogs, soft drinks, etc.
- Entertainment
- Prizes from local vendors
- Advertisement expressing appreciation to state employees

A special Award Ceremony attended by various dignitaries and Governor Blunt will recognize:

- Governor's Award for Valor recognizing heroic feats of state employees over the year. To nominate an employee for this award click on the link above.
- Shining Star Award recognizing outstanding accomplishments of state employees at the local, state, national or international level. To nominate an employee for this award click on the link above.

To find out what each state agency is doing to recognize their state employees, contact the agency <u>coordinators</u>.

View the State Employee Recognition Week poster

State Employee Recognition Week is coordinated by:

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"Public service is a high calling and an expression of responsible citizenship and our Nation is deeply indebted to the men and women who devote their lives to careers that serve the public good."

President George Bush